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Neighborhood Meeting to discuss Spence Creek Watershed Study, April 28

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - The City of Murfreesboro will conduct a neighborhood public meeting in the library at Cason Lane Academy, Tuesday, April 28, 2015, from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., to provide an opportunity for public comment on the proposed Spence Creek Watershed Study. Cason Lane Academy is located at 1330 Cason Lane, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 37128.

The neighborhood meeting will include an open house from 6:00 -6:30 p.m.; a study presentation by city staff and study team from 6:30 -7:00 p.m.; and a questions and discussion period from 7:00 -7:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to gain input and insight from residents who live in the area and inform residents of the goals of the study. The event will help citizens connect, share information, and collaborate with others on water quality and flooding issues in the Spence Creek Watershed.

The City of Murfreesboro, with help from consultants Site Engineering Consultants, Inc., Griggs and Maloney, Inc., and Neel-Schaffer, is studying Spence Creek Watershed as part of the City's Stormwater Program. Services include updating existing flood studies and testing and modeling of water quality. The Spence Creek Watershed includes areas from Barfield Road on the east to past St. Andrews Drive to the west and from Sawmill Street, Stoney Meadow Drive, and Maylon Drive on the north to Yeargan Road to the south.

Watersheds are land areas that drain into a particular stream or lake. A healthy watershed is important because these waters supply drinking water, water for agriculture, habitat for plants and animals as well as recreational opportunities like swimming, fishing and boating. The Spence Creek Watershed feeds the Stones River Watershed which includes parts of Cannon, Davidson, Rutherford and Wilson counties.

Representatives from the City of Murfreesboro and the study team will be on hand to answer questions and collect information from residents pertinent to flooding and water quality. Residents share the important responsibility of protecting and improving their water resources in the watershed.

For additional information on the watershed neighborhood meeting, contact Sam Huddleston at (615) 893-6441 or shuddleston@murfreesborotn.gov. Residents can also submit comments to Matt Taylor, Vice-President, SEC, Inc. at mtaylor@sec-civil.com. Please include Spence Creek in the subject line.

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Spence Creek Watershed Map.jpg.